

Texas State Board of Education

Student Heroes

The Student Heroes program is to recognize Texas public school students in prekindergarten through high school who do outstanding things to benefit their fellow public school students. One student per State Board of Education (SBOE) district is recognized for this annual honor.

Nomination Guidelines:

Who may be nominated?

► The program recognizes outstanding Texas public school students in prekindergarten through high school who voluntarily assist other Texas students. The service must be provided voluntarily and not through a school or community required program.

- Students must be enrolled in a Texas public school.
- The service/assistance or good deed must be voluntary and not part of any curriculum, graduation requirements or class or community project.
- The service/assistance or good deed must benefit/impact other Texas students, either individually or as a whole.
- The benefit/impact may be to students of one campus or district or a community.
- Examples: a student who on their own gathers donations to improve a campus accessibility; a student who might gather library donations to benefit a school; a homecoming queen who gives her crown to a special needs student

A certificate of recognition will be awarded to the Student Hero by their SBOE representative at a local school assembly, an organization meeting or in a classroom. Exact date, time and location of the presentation will be determined by the local school district/campus in coordination with the SBOE member.

Who may do the nominating?

► While nominations are limited to Texas public school students the nominations may be submitted by anyone – such as school personnel, other students, community members.

What are the steps for making a nomination?

► Fill out the [application](#) and send to TEA. Be sure the application includes all pertinent facts about the nominee, the nominee's permission to be nominated and have their information shared publicly (parent or guardian signature will be required for nominees under the age of 18), and an essay from the person or group making the nomination about the nominee and what they did to assist other Texas public school students.

► This is an Adobe PDF form that may be digitally filled out with a current version of [Acrobat Reader](#). Once the electronic form is completed, please either print and mail or [email](#) the completed form to the TEA. Please print a copy of the application for your record as submitted applications will not be returned.

Other Guidelines

- [Application](#) should be typed or computer printed. It should not be handwritten.
- Be sure to carefully read and follow the instructions on each part of the application.
- Determine which State Board of Education district the nominee lives in, and write the district number in the space provided on the application. To determine the State Board districts, go to: www.fyi.legis.state.tx.us, under “Find Your Incumbent,” click on “By Address,” then type in the home address of the student nominee and find the State Board member's district number.
- Make sure the application is completely filled out and includes all signatures and the essay. If the application is incomplete, it will not be reviewed.
- Be sure to keep a copy of the application, submitted applications will not be returned.
- If you have any questions, please call TEA at (512) 463-9839.



2016 Student Hero Nomination Form

**Nominee
Name**

Current Grade _____

Address:

Street Address and/or P.O. Box

Apartment/Unit #

City

ZIP Code

Home Phone: _____

email: _____

Campus/District or Charter
where student is enrolled:

Signature of Nominee

☐ By selecting this box, I designate the above electronic version of my name as my signature.

Signature of Parent/Legal
Guardian

(required for nominees under 18 years of age)

☐ By selecting this box, I designate the above electronic version of my name as my signature.

Nominator Information

Nominated by: _____

Affiliation _____

Address: _____

Street Address

Apartment/Unit #

City

ZIP Code

Phone: _____

email: _____

Signature of Nominator _____

☐ By selecting this box, I designate the above electronic version of my name as my signature.

Signature of Parent/Legal
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State Board of Education District # _____ www.fyi.legis.state.tx.us
(click on the link above to find the correct SBOE District)

Return all parts of completed application by March 11, 2016 to:

Student Heroes
Communications Division/Texas Education Agency
1701 North Congress Avenue
Austin, Texas 78701-1494

Applications may be mailed or emailed to Heroes@tea.texas.gov
Questions? Call (512) 463-9839

Nominators Essay/Narrative on Student Hero

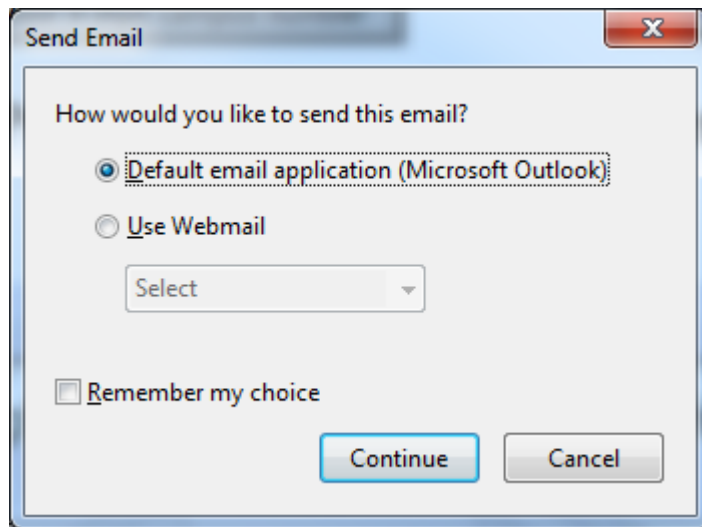
Nominee Name _____

is a Student Hero because he or she helped other students by (complete the essay and please include some specific examples of the volunteer work performed). You may include up to three (3) supporting documents, such as news clips or school programs.

How to submit the “Student Heroes Nomination” PDF Form by E-mail

When you click on the "e-mail form" button, a pop up window will appear, choose an option to email back to TEA.

If you have problems, see *Submitting the Form Does Not Work...* below



If you haven't at this point, print the Student Hero Nomination Form. You may want to save a copy on your computer by clicking on File > Save As... for your records.

Submitting the Form **Does Not** Work, What to Do

1. Save the PDF on your computer by going to the upper left of the screen: File > Save As...
 - a. Remember the location of where you saved the PDF document.
2. Send an email to heroes@tea.texas.gov and attach the above mentioned saved document.

If you have any issues email heroes@tea.texas.gov or call 512.463.9839.